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CANTON PICKET OUTRAGE.

RUSSIANS AND CHINESE WOUNDED.

MOTOR BOAT FIRED AT.

The story of the wounding of two "White" Russians and five Chinese who were fired on by pickets whilst in a motor boat at Canton is told in a message from our correspondent and reports from other sources to-day.

The motor boat was one employed in a service between the Shamian and river steamers, and the pickets, who were in a sampan, held up the craft and fired at least fifty rifle shots at the occupants. The two wounded Russians have been brought to Hongkong for treatment and are now patients at the Government Civil Hospital.

Writing under date of yesterday, the Telegraph's Canton correspondent states that the strike pickets have added yet another crime to their list of outrages. On Wednesday night, at about 8 o'clock, one of Mr. Banbury's motor boats was proceeding in the direction of Paak-Hok Tung when, on nearing its destination opposite Messrs. Butterfield and Swire's gates, a number of sampans surrounded the motor boat and opened rifle fire on the unarmed boat. Some fifty shots were fired, but the motor boat managed to get back to Shamian.

TWO WOUNDED.

The motor boat must have had a narrow escape, for it was in the midst of a fusillade of shots for some time. The steering wheel was damaged, and two Russian occupants were wounded. The man at the steering wheel was shot in the arm just below the shoulder and nearly bled to death before he reached one of the British gunboats off Shamian. The other man was shot in the thigh, receiving a nasty flesh wound, and he also suffered from considerable loss of blood. Both of the men were later put aboard the s.s. Fatshan for Hongkong.

Later.

It transpires that the two wounded men are "White" Russians in the employ of Mr. Banbury, who and the members of his staff are to be commended for their pluck in maintaining a boat service, without which many of the foreign community would be marooned on Shamian.

The whole foreign community, says our correspondent, are greatly incensed by this act of violence, and many of the Chinese are openly expressing their abhorrence at the lawlessness of the strikers.

CHINESE WOUNDED.

A report from another source states that in addition to the two Russians, five Chinese passengers on board the motor boat were wounded during the firing, one of these being a girl. They are stated to have been taken aboard a British gunboat later for treatment.

Mr. Banbury, who is a Canadian, has been agent in Canton for Messrs. Donnelly and Whyte, and since the boycott he has been maintaining a service of motor boats, which ply between Shamian and the river steamers.

THE "RED" RUSSIANS.

The "Red" Russians at the other end of the city are passing through some strange experience, adds our correspondent. They are being specially protected by armed guards, and the people say they are prisoners and will be sent back to Russia by a special steamer which will not call at any other Chinese port than Canton.

Handbills and posters about the city make it quite clear that the Kuomintang is being split by differences of opinion, and the leaders of the movement realise that their position is becoming insecure by the split, which is dividing them

TWO CHINESE VILLAGES SACKED.

SEQUEL TO OLD CLAN FEUDS.

BANDITS EMPLOYED.

News has reached the Colony of the sacking and burning of two villages in the district of Tsing Seng, Kwangtung province; not at the instigation of bandits, although many of these were employed to carry out the work of destruction.

The two villages concerned are inhabited respectively by the Ng and Yuen clans, who have been at open enmity for many years. It appears that some time ago Yuen Har-kow, the notorious brigand chief of a large gang operating in the districts of Tungkung, Pok Lo and Tseng Seng, who, according to tradition, is considered a member of the Yuen family, was besought by the Yuen clan's village to take vengeance on the Ng clan. The latter, although fewer in number, are more prosperous and better armed, and consequently all past clan fights have resulted always in their favour. Acting on the appeal, Yuen Har-kow, with his gang of followers, raided and burnt every house of the Ng clan, killing about one hundred persons, the rest seeking shelter in other villages. This incident was reported to the Canton Government, and deputies were sent to bring about a satisfactory settlement, but to no purpose.

As the remaining members of the Ng clan were scattered in various villages and could not commence rebuilding their homesteads, they took matters into their own hands and paid a high price to another large gang of bandits, headed by Chan Kum, to carry out greater destructive reprisals on the Yuen clan with the result that over two hundred persons were killed and the large village of seven hundred houses burnt to the ground.

It is said that both clans have now chosen places of abode far distant from each other.

SATURDAY'S COUP.

With regard to last Saturday's coup, a report from another quarter says the Russian Club at Tungshau was searched and arms and ammunition belonging to Russian officers were taken away but were restored to their owners on the following day. The Government has issued a communiqué stating that as those officers of the cruiser Chungking who had shown signs of a mutinous disposition had been arrested and peace and order in the city had been restored, all means of communication are permitted to resume as usual.

Despite the action against the Russians it is said that M. Seminoff has again been given the post of Chief of the Naval Bureau, and that the commanders of the affected warships are being replaced by officers of his recommendation. It is also reported that Ow Yang-gar has been appointed Commander-in-Chief of the Navy in place of Ow Tang-jum, his brother, the appointment having been made by General Chang Kai-shek as a matter of expediency. This appointment needs the approval of the Military Council and must be confirmed by the Committee of Political Affairs.

GENERAL'S DISAGREE.

The dictatorial actions of General Chang Kai-shek are said to have been resented by General Li Chai-sun and General Tan Yen-kai who is known as "the peacemaker" in the Army. As previously reported, General Li Chai-sun had no knowledge of Saturday's coup and was turned back by the guards when on his way to the General Staff's Office on that morning, not making his appearance in the afternoon, when order was restored. As Chief of the General Staff, General Li considered that he should enjoy the fullest confidence of General Chang Kai-shek, and that by ignoring him on this instance, General Chang Kai-shek had overstepped his power. It is said that General Tan Yen-kai smoothed the matter over on the same night and eventually persuaded General Li to resume his duties on the following morning. At the same time, General Tan wrote a personal note to General Chang Kai-shek disapproving of the manner in which General Li was treated by him, and intimated that the least he could do was to give a full explanation of the case to General Li. This had the desired effect. Nevertheless, discord still prevails in the ranks of the Army.

An attempt to obtain a sack of rice, valued at \$18.12, from a rice shop at 31, Cochran Street, by false pretences, resulted in a Chinese being charged before Major Willson at the Central Police Court this morning.

It appeared that the defendant ordered a sack of rice, and two foiks took the sack with the defendant to the Mercantile Bank of India, where the defendant said he would pay for it. He kept the foiks there for some time without paying, and eventually one returned to his master, who visited the place. He arrived in time to stop another man from taking the sack away. Both the defendant and the stranger tried to run away, and the rice was taken back to the shop. The stranger escaped.

The defendant said he bought the sack for a friend, but he was unable to find his friend.

He was sent to prison for a month.

MORE DOG BITES.

TWO CASES YESTERDAY.

Attacks by dogs suspected of suffering from rabies were mentioned in this morning's official reports of the police department. Poon Shui-lun, stated to be a student at the Hongkong University, was bitten yesterday by a dog belonging to a Chinese living at D'Aguilar Street. He was examined and treated by Professor Anderson of the University.

An animal belonging to Mr. Staples, of No. 64, Mount Parish, attacked and bit a Chinese in the face yesterday. The victim was taken to the Government Civil Hospital for treatment.

In each case, the dogs were removed to Kennedy Town for observation.

FIRE BRIGADE.

INSURANCE MEETING COMMENTS.

EUROPEANS NEEDED.

The urgent necessity of remedying the serious deficiency in the Colony's fire-fighting services in regard to the lack of adequate European firemen, was stressed at this morning's meeting of the Hongkong Fire Insurance Company, Limited, at which Mr. G. M. Bernard presided. There were also present: Sir Robert Ho Tung, Mr. C. Bernard Brown, Mr. A. H. Compton, Mr. A. S. Gubbay, Mr. H. P. White (Consulting Committee), Mr. F. C. Hall (Secretary), Messrs. D. V. Stevenson, A. Denton, J. Arnold, G. V. Osmond, C. Savard Remondos, H. Leung, R. L. Bridger, A. H. M. da Silva, and J. H. Seth (shareholders).

CHAIRMAN'S SPEECH.

The Secretary having read the notice convening the meeting, The Chairman said:—Gentlemen, —The report and account having now been in your hands for the prescribed number of days, I propose, with your permission, to follow the customary procedure of taking them as read. It is with considerable pleasure that your General Managers and Consulting Committee are able to place before you such a satisfactory Account as that for the year 1924, and our best thanks are due to all those who have so loyally afforded us their support in the difficult days that are past. However, Insurance business has its bleak moments like every other factor in the Commercial world, and competition is becoming so severe that it is difficult to see what the future has in store. Still, I trust we may rely on the continued support of our friends who have given us their business in the past and helped to build up the Company into its present sound position.

To return to the account for the year 1924, I would point out that the balance of \$534,656.09 is the third best in the history of the Company. The net premium received is the highest by nearly \$100,000 as also is the income from interest by approximately \$26,000. The ratio of losses and expenses work out at 43.25 per cent. and 38.51 per cent. respectively as against 40.04 per cent. and 37.37 per cent. for the year 1923. The rate of exchange at which the accounts are shown is 5/8 of a penny higher than last year and, small as this may seem, it makes a very considerable difference in converting our sterling figures into Hongkong dollars.

The balance at credit of Working Account for 1925 is \$590,782.41, or approximately \$77,000 better than the previous year at the same period, i.e., after twelve months' working. This is the more satisfactory in view of the fall in premium income of about \$40,000, as compared with 1924. This shrinkage in income was anticipated by us but we are hopeful that a full recovery will be achieved in the year now current.

The account for 1925 has yet further twelve months to run but, with the carry forward as shown, we are reasonably confident that we shall be able to present to you a healthy final outturn at this time next year.

The surplus to be dealt with at this meeting is \$534,656.09, and we recommend the payment of a dividend of \$38 per share, an increase of \$8 on last year's, absorbing \$80,000, the appropriation of \$100,000 to the Reserve Fund, and that the balance of \$180,656.09, at 2/4% = \$15,447.75, be carried to the credit of Reinsurance Fund. The Reserve Fund will then stand at \$2,100,000 and the Reinsurance Fund at \$213,004.07.

All our reserves are in a satisfactory condition, the Investment and Exchange Fluctuation Account (Continued on page 4)

BUSINESS MEN AND PEANUTS.

POLICE ACTION AGAINST HAWKERS.

A CITY NUISANCE.

Recent complaints by business men of annoyance caused by hawkers crying out their wares in Pedder Street and the vicinity of the Hongkong Hotel, resulted in three Chinese appearing before Major Willson at the Central Magistracy this morning.

Sergt. Nolloth said complaints had been received and ventilated in the local press about such annoyances. He explained that defendants had been previously warned, but no action had been taken on account of their age. It was not so much the noise they made, but the peculiarity of their cry.

The Secretary having read the notice convening the meeting.

The Chairman said:—Gentlemen, —The report and account having now been in your hands for the prescribed number of days, I propose, with your permission, to keep away from the business vicinity. He added that business men had other things to think of than buying peanuts.

In the third case the defendant was a cripple, and had no licence to hawk. Sergt. Nolloth said he could not get enough money to pay for a licence, otherwise he would be granted one. A certain number of licences were kept for those unable to work, and it was better they should have them than able-bodied men.

Major Willson decided that money should be taken from the Poor Box to provide this defendant with a licence.

WORKMEN INJURED.

MISHAP ON RECLAMATION WORKS.

In regard to the report, appearing on another page, of a serious accident at North Point yesterday morning, which resulted in three workmen of the Netherlands Harbour Works being sent to hospital with injuries of a serious nature, subsequent investigations have disclosed that the report was erroneous as far as the cause of the mishap was concerned.

It is now known that in operations connected with the pouring of concrete into a mould, work undertaken in connection with the reclamation scheme at Tsat Tsze Mui—the tackle and gear of what is technically termed the "concrete blazing tower" fell, owing to a faulty hook, straightening out. The whole mass dropped down a distance of some twenty feet, bringing three workmen to the ground. One died from his injuries some hours after admission into the Government Civil Hospital, while the condition of the other two victims is regarded as serious.

COAL PROBLEM.

OWNERS AND MINERS MEET.

Rugby, March 25.—The coal owners and miners have lost no time in entering upon the consideration of points on which they must agree between themselves before the Premier's promise to give effect to the Coal Commission's report becomes operative.

The Executives of both parties met separately to-day, for preliminary consultation, and they came together in a joint conference this afternoon.

The Miners' Executive invited proposals from the coalowners but, after a brief discussion, it was agreed to adjourn the meeting to enable both sides to survey the position. (Continued on page 4)

FREEDOM OF LONDON.

SIR AUSTEN CHAMBERLAIN HONOURED.

HIS FAITH IN THE LEAGUE.

On the occasion of his having the Freedom of the City of London conferred on him, Sir Austen Chamberlain made a lengthy speech on the League of Nations, claiming that it had emerged from the events at Geneva not merely unharmed but strengthened. Compromise, he said, must be the spirit of the League, and anyone trying to make it a Super-State would destroy it.

In a glowing tribute to the Foreign Secretary, Mr. Baldwin said Sir Austen was working for the peace of Europe as his father had worked for the Empire in Europe.

London, March 25.—Sir Austen Chamberlain was to-day presented with the Freedom of the City. Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Baldwin, Mr. Winston Churchill, Mr. and Mrs. Amery, the High Commissioners of the Dominions and India, and nine Ambassadors were among those present.

Sir Austen Chamberlain was ovated, and in a speech claimed that the work of Locarno had emerged not merely unharmed but strengthened from Geneva. He did not doubt that with goodwill numbered fifty nations who stood as equals and that compromise must be the spirit of the League. The League was not a Super-State and anyone who tried to make it a Super-State would destroy it. He added, "I do not doubt that in time the present difficulties will be solved. I do not doubt that with goodwill these and many other problems will be overcome. We must avoid on one side or the other setting up barriers made by agreements before we meet at Geneva." The Foreign Secretary concluded with the hope that when his work was over he would be judged by the two great efforts for peace in which he had had a hand and by the part which he had played in reconciling two great international forces. — *British Wireless*.

In toasting Sir Austen Chamberlain at a subsequent luncheon in the Mansion House, Mr. Stanley Baldwin expressed great respect and deep affection for Sir Austen. He dwelt on the drudgery of the Foreign Secretary trying to solve a perpetual jigsaw puzzle with live pieces, each one of which, when he thinks he has got it in its place, gets up and runs away. The moment his back is turned, Sir Austen Chamberlain was working for the peace of Europe just as his father worked for the Empire. His work had received a temporary setback but the faults that had been committed would be wiped out in the Autumn. — *Cheers*. Sir Austen Chamberlain was making the League of Nations an integral part of the foreign policy of Britain, and he was the best friend of the League in Europe. — *Cheers*. — *Reuter*.

Rugby, March 25.—It is understood that the first meeting of the League of Nations Commission, which was set up to consider questions relating to the future constitution of the League Council, will be held in Geneva on May 10th. It will consist of ten members representing the States on the Council and five members representing Argentina, Germany, China, Poland and Switzerland. The first meeting of the Executive Committee on Reclamation, at which Britain will be represented, is to be held on May 10th. The members of the Executive Committee are to be appointed by the Foreign Secretary. — *British Wireless*.

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E. D. C. WOLFE,
Capt. Supt. of Police.
Hongkong, March 25, 1926.

NOTIFICATION.

The Offices and Stations of the Chinese Maritime Customs for Kowloon and District will be closed to public business on the 2nd and 3rd April, 1926.

N. R. M. SHAW,
Acting Commissioner of
Chinese Customs,
Kowloon and District.
York Buildings,

Hongkong, March 25, 1926.

FANLING HUNT STEEPLECHASES.

EASTER MEETING.

Monday, April 5th, 1926.
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Hongkong, March 25, 1926.

**THE HONGKONG SOCIETY
For the Prevention of
Cruelty to Animals.**

ANNUAL MEETING.

The Annual Meeting will be held on Monday, 29th March, 1926, in the Board Room of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., at 5.30 p.m. to pass and adopt the Accounts for 1925 and to elect Officers, etc.

Will anyone willing to join the committee or take office please send their names to the undersigned.

B. L. FROST,
President & Hon. Secretary.
Hongkong, March 20, 1926.

THE HONGKONG & WHAMPOA DOCK CO., LTD.

Notice is hereby given that the Ordinary Yearly Meeting of Shareholders will be held in the Office of the Company, 2, Queen's Buildings, Hongkong, on Monday 29th March 1926, at Noon, for consideration of the Directors' Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December 1925.

The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 23rd to the 29th March 1926 (both days inclusive).

By order of the Board of Directors.

R. M. DYER,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 18th March 1926.

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

The First Extra Race Meeting will be held (weather permitting) at Happy Valley on Saturday, 3rd April, 1926 commencing at 2.30 p.m. The first bell will be rung at 2 p.m.

The charge for admission to the Public Enclosure will be \$1. for all persons including Ladies, Soldiers and Sailors in uniform half price.

Members are advised that they must show their Badges to obtain admission to the Members' Enclosure.

Each member has the right to introduce 2 non-members to the Members' Enclosure, tickets for whom can be obtained from Messrs. Linstead & Davis at \$5. each up to Thursday 1st April.

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The Auctioneer.

Hongkong, March 19, 1926.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONGKONG ORIGINAL JURISDICTION.

ORIGINAL JURISDICTION.

Action No. 561 of 1925.

Between:

Chan Leung Shi, Chan Ho Shi, and Man Kam Lo, executors of the estate of Chan Shek Shan, deceased, Plaintiffs,

and Lau Tat, defendant.

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CONSUMPTION "CURE."

AUSTRALIA TO TEST A
SERUM.

Melbourne.—Dr. Smallpage, of Sydney, has received an offer from an American company to take over his formula for treatment of tuberculosis, and to pay him a royalty of 50 per cent. on sales of his serum.

Dr. Smallpage said he would accept the offer, unless the Commonwealth Government makes him a definite offer of assistance.

It was recently reported that Dr. Smallpage's serum (spleen extract, etc.) can be prepared so that 100 tuberculous people can be treated for \$75. He offered to give his formula and patent rights to the Australian people if their Government would finance the preparation and safeguard his interests.

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THE "GOLD CURE"

Experiments with the new gold drug for the treatment of pulmonary tuberculosis have been in progress in England for a year, and an account of the observations made is contained in the *Lancet*.

It is known as sanoecrysin—a very soluble thiosulphate of sodium and gold.

Dr. T. R. Elliott, Professor of Medicine in the University of London, states that he has treated only 11 cases, and expresses the opinion that the treatment has not done harm to any case under his care.

In one case—the first treated in England—he thought at first that harm had resulted. She was a girl of 18, of poor physique, and as she did not improve under routine treatment in hospital she was treated heavily with sanoecrysin and with its complementay serum.

"MOST RAPID CURE"

On discharge from hospital says Dr. Elliott she was still thin and ill, but she refused to go to a sanatorium and remained at home in a poor environment. But she improved steadily. She has now, a year after her treatment, put on a stone in weight. She is plump and well . . . and the pulmonary disease is arrested.

My earlier impression was therefore mistaken, says Dr. Elliott, and in her case the drug not only did no serious harm but seems to have done good, for her prognosis was originally a poor one.

Dr. Elliott adds that in all subsequent cases he has used less intensive treatment, which seems to coincide with real improvement in each patient. Regarding four cases, he notes that the turn for the better occurred almost simultaneously with the treatment by sanoecrysin.

My own opinion, he adds, "is in full accord with that of Prof. Feber, of Copenhagen, who summed up his results in a statement that in sanoecrysin he found a drug that produced more rapid improvement in pulmonary tuberculosis than could be obtained by any other method of treatment that he knew."

Lisbon, Feb. 10.—Because the Portuguese tobacco monopoly, held by a private company for thirty years, will end in April the Government has submitted a proposition to Parliament for state control. Under the proposed system the Government would manufacture tobacco products but allow the free importation of foreign brands.

GREAT IRRIGATION SCHEME

COLUMBIA'S WATERS TO
BE APPORTIONED

Washington, D. C.—Legislation looking toward construction of a \$300,000,000 project to irrigate 1,750,000 acres of land in the Columbia river basin will be sought of the present congress as the result of action by a conference of members of the Washington congressional delegation and irrigation experts from the Columbia river basin.

Immediately after the conference Senator Jones, republican of Washington, one of the party leaders, announced he would introduce a measure to lay a foundation for the project.

The measure will be designed to empower the secretary of the interior to assist the states of Washington, Oregon, Idaho and Montana in effecting an agreement for the division of the waters of the Columbia river, and to aid in the organization of an irrigation district to cover the entire irrigable area.

The irrigation project, under the plans of the conference, would be carried out under the government's present irrigation policy, the irrigation district to repay the government for its expenditures in constructing the work. The project would be by far the greatest ever attempted, the cost being more than twice as much as that estimated for the Boulder canyon irrigation, power, and flood control project on the Colorado river.

Four states of the Columbia river have already received congressional authority for negotiating on an inter-state water compact, and the proposed Jones bill would be intended simply to aid them in bringing about an agreement.

LIVING CELL MADE.

NEW ACHIEVEMENT BY
SCIENTIST.

New York.—Another step towards solving the riddle "What is life?" has been made by Dr. D. T. MacDougal, director of the Botanical Research Department of the Carnegie Institution of Washington.

He has succeeded in producing a working model of a living cell (the unit of all living matter) by the use of chemicals similar to those occurring in living matter.

Based upon the construction of an egg, the cell has an outer protective covering of thin cellulose. Through this a sugar solution containing chemicals absorbs sodium and potassium selectively in a manner similar to their absorption by plants. This is sufficient to cause growth.

UP TO A POINT.

Here is where the artificial production's limitation begins. It absorbs five times as much potassium, whereas a living cell will absorb 60 times as much.

When it reaches what the scientist calls a "point" of balance its growth stops, and the intervention of man is required to upset the balance and start the cell going again by the substitution of new solutions for the spent ones.

The living cell does this automatically, impelled by some motive power that remains one of nature's deep secrets.

For experimental purposes the value of Dr. MacDougal's achievement can hardly be overestimated.

AN ACCOMPLISHED KING.

FERDINAND OF
RUMANIA.

Bucharest.—King Ferdinand has a much stronger hold upon the affections of his people than is commonly thought abroad (says the *Daily Chronicle*).

He is a good all-round sportsman and drives his own motor-car though over 60, and thoroughly understand it. He is a very early riser and breakfasts with his family, courtiers appearing first at lunch.

He receives Ministers during the morning and, if there is time, has a game of golf on the course recently laid out. He has been ordered golf for his health. Though he began to play at 55 he has made very rapid progress.

In the afternoon he walks in the park at Cotroceni, or motors, always driving himself. He has been suffering from hardened arteries and took baths in Normandy last year, which did him much good. His kitchen is French.

He likes to write as many of his letters as possible with his own hand.

He seldom misses a concert, and playing the piano is one of his favourite recreations. He plays extremely well.

He speaks English, French, and Russian fluently, besides Rumanian and German. He has been learning Hungarian since the war in compliment to his Hungarian subjects, and has made extraordinary progress in this most difficult language.

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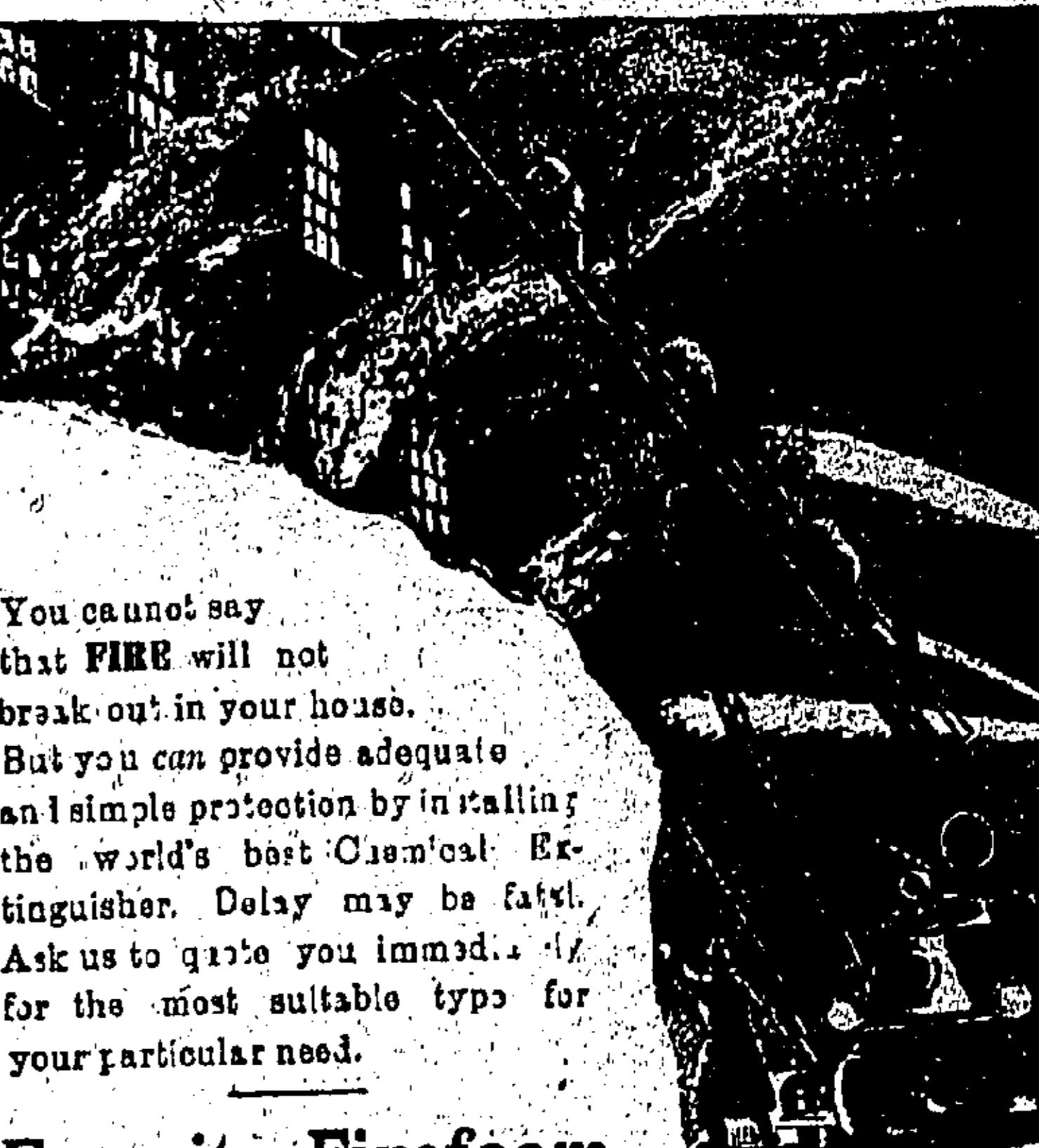
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BOXER INDEMNITY.

According to advices from the North, Hongkong and Canton are to have a visit from the British Boxer Indemnity Commission, which, with Lord Willingdon at its head, is at present carrying out its investigations in Shanghai. This Commission was, it will be recalled, appointed to advise the Foreign Secretary as to the best use to which the funds of the Boxer Indemnity could be put in the joint interests of Britain and China. Under the Protocol of 1901, China undertook to pay £67,500,000 in thirty-nine annual instalments of £3,500,000, the British quota being £400,000. This amount was remitted by two instruments, namely, by decision of the British Cabinet in 1922, and by the passage of the China Indemnity (Application) Act of last year. Since then, there has been much discussion as to the purposes to which the remitted funds should be applied, and it was with the object of determining these that the Act named authorised the setting up of the Commission which is now in China.

Up to the present, the members of the Commission have confined their energies to Shanghai, where a series of meetings have been held for the purpose of examining applications and proposals from various public bodies and organisations. It will naturally take some considerable time before the Commission completes its investigations, after which, of course, the whole matter has to come under consideration by the Imperial Government. The idea, however, of sending the Commission to the East to prosecute its enquiries on the spot is a most admirable one, for by first-hand contact with the numerous organisations wishing to benefit by a distribution of the funds it will be possible for the Commissioners to offer far more practical advice than by any other method.

Educational and other institutions in Hongkong and South China are particularly interested in the final allocation of the funds, in which connection the hope has been expressed that our own University's claims to consideration will be taken into full and favourable account. We imagine, also, that certain Canton organisations will

also hope to be brought into the scheme, and no doubt their applications will be looked into when the Commissioners visit that city. In this connection the Canton Government would presumably like to create a good impression on the Commissioners during their stay, and inasmuch as the question of the disposal of these funds centres round the maintenance and extension of Anglo-Chinese friendship, we trust that the Canton authorities will exert their utmost endeavours to bring about the termination of the boycott. This, although in no sense reflective of sober Chinese opinion, is likely by its continuance to estrange rather than improve the relations between Britain and China.

The weather forecast up to noon tomorrow is:—N.E. winds, strong; overcast, some drizzle or mist.

DAY BY DAY.

TO BE POOR AND INDEPENDENT IS VERY NEARLY AN IMPOSSIBILITY.—W. Cobbett.

There was a clean bill of health in the Colony on Wednesday and Thursday.

The weather forecast up to noon tomorrow is:—N.E. winds, strong; overcast, some drizzle or mist.

A Japanese cruiser came into port this morning. She is staying until Sunday.

Two Chinese have been arrested by the police on a charge of intimidation of a postman, in the central district.

The Colony will be visited on April 4th by a flotilla of U.S. destroyers. They are expected to stay for four or five days.

The annual athletic sports of St. Paul's College are to be held at Queen's Ground, Causeway Bay, on Monday afternoon next.

The Efficiency Cup of the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps for the training season of 1925 has been won by the Artillery Company.

A tram passenger was taken to the Government Civil Hospital yesterday suffering from injuries received when he alighted from a moving tram car.

A most enjoyable musicalo was held at the Helena May Institute last evening, the contributors to the programme being Mrs. N. Mathieson, Mrs. R. Sanger, Mr. A. M. Bowes Smith and Mr. R. A. Green.

The dance orchestra of the s.a. Franconia, under the leadership of Mr. Harold Woodlands, played at the Repulse Bay Hotel during the dinner dansant last night. In spite of counter-attractions, and a very short notice, most of the tables were engaged. The waltzes were so well played that seven or eight encores were given each time before the dancers were satisfied.

AMERICAN CLAIMS.

SENATOR BORAH GETS POSITIVE.

Washington, March 25.—After conferring with Mr. Frank E. Kellogg, the Secretary of State, Senator Borah declared that some of the claims of Americans against Britain and France arising from the seizure of goods during the war while America was neutral, should and would be paid. *Reuters American Service.*

SHIPPING NEWS.

VESSELS WITHIN CALL.

At noon, the following vessels were expected to be in wireless communication with Hongkong today:

Shizuoka Maru, Wray Castle, Tjikini, Helios, Fusihimi Maru, Empress of Russia, Changte, President Madison, Glenshane, Menelaus, Tjasaak, Hanoi, Sekkow Maru, Van Overstraten, Benart, Kweiyang, Leesang, Japan, Kotso Maru, Tango Maru, Seijo Maru, Zosma, City of Rangoon, Bintang, Nagara, Gozan Maru, Isla de Panay, West Ivan, Tlawa, Stanley Dollar, West Himrod, Taiping, Manao Maru, Taka-sago Maru, Tacoma.

THE QUANTS.

LAST NIGHT'S SUCCESS.

Ian Hay's racing comedy, "The Sport of Kings," was the very attractive fare served up at the Theatre Royal last evening by "The Quants," and a large and delighted audience spent an entertaining evening.

The play is full of fun and witticisms based on the doings and parlance of the Home turf, and it tells of how a rich hypocritical old gentleman succumbs to the temptation to "have a flutter." His descent from seeming stern disengagement of all and everything connected with horse-racing to his impersonation of a cheap outside "bookie" is told in humorous incident and clever dialogue.

The company had a whole score a triumph—as was evidenced by the quick and hearty response of the audience.

BOGUS CONSTABLE.

CHINESE SENT TO PRISON.

The case in which a Chinese was charged with being in possession of a police chop for an unlawful purpose, which was remanded from yesterday, again came before Major Wilson, at the Central Police Court this morning, when a second charge of taking the designation of a police constable was added.

A Chinese Inspector was called and he said the defendant was not a constable.

Sub-Inspector Watt said he remembered a constable reporting that his whistle and chop had been stolen from the barracks room on March 19th.

Sub-Inspector Wilson, who was in charge of the case, explained the chop was used to mark chit which was collected by the sergeant-on-duty, who brought them back to the station to show the constables were at their posts. The chop in question was not the original that had been lost, but was an imitation. The original had not been found. It was no uncommon thing for a chop to be lost.

Sub-Inspector Watt remarked that if a constable lost his chop, he would sooner get an imitation, which could easily be done, than report the loss.

When asked where he got the chop from, the defendant replied that he picked it up in the street.

He was sent to prison for one month with hard labour on the first charge and three months on the second.

TROUBLE IN SYRIA.

FURTHER DRUSE OUTBREAK.

Paris, March 25.—A message from Beirut says that numerous Druses attacked Kattana, south-west of Damascus, which was surrounded and set on fire. Four squadrons of cavalry, supported by airmen, counter-attacked. The Druses were repulsed and fled, leaving over one hundred dead. *Reuters.*

STEEL COMBINE.

BIG INTERNATIONAL MOVEMENT.

Berlin, March 25.—Interviewed to-day by Reuter Herr Gerwin, Director of the German Steel Trust, admitted that a provisional agreement had been reached in Paris, but that negotiations will have to be resumed, as there are many obstacles to be overcome before a definite agreement could be concluded. Herr Gerwin did not specify these obstacles, but it is understood that one of them is the allotment of export quotas between the various countries. *Reuter.*

[An earlier message said that protracted consultations by European steel interests have resulted in a far-reaching "rally cartel" eliminating competition. It is stated that negotiations will shortly be opened for a larger iron international, for the control of the entire production of iron and steel.]

MOTOR MISHAPS.

SANITARY INSPECTOR INJURED.

Sanitary Inspector A. F. Brady, in charge of the Kennedy Town Slaughter House, met with a serious accident yesterday, when his motor cycle swerved and collided with a rock on the Castle Peak road.

The mishap occurred near the village of Chung Yuk Chuen, Mr. Brady being thrown from his machine and rather seriously injured. He was taken to the Kowloon Hospital.

A COLLISION.

Ensuing, it is stated, from the two cars meeting on a narrow part of the roadway, a collision occurred between a car driven by a P.W.D. employee and another car on the Jubilee Road yesterday afternoon. The front mudguards of both vehicles were buckled, but the occupants escaped serious injury. Jubilee Road is regarded as being used for only one-way traffic.

The Very Idea!

We're getting so we can't sleep. Two news items from Japan:—Formerly we never could get up in the morning. Now we find it impossible to sleep more than nine or ten hours. If we lie longer we grow introspective and restless.

There are in our experience no more humiliating and disturbing moments than those passed when lying awake in the gray of the morning. Everything we have done in our life seems pitifully trivial and tawdry. Everything we have planned to do seems impractical and useless. As we observed we're getting so we can't sleep. Can it be that we have insomnia?

The Hon. Patrick Kinnaird and his former wife, Margaret Stella Kinnaird, from whom he obtained a divorce a few months ago, recently each married again on the same day.

Child: I want to be read to.

Nurse: What book do you want to be read to out of?

Child: "Robinson Crusoe."

(Nurse goes out and returns with "The Swiss Family Robinson.")

Child: What did you bring me that book to be read to out of from for?

Here's a good tip! A piece of brown paper under the upper lip, held in place with the tongue is good for nosebleed; hiccoughs or sneezing—we forget which.

Dr. Tressler of the University of Pittsburgh has done good by declaring that there is no foundation for the belief that fish is a brain food. Our regard for a fish ceases with its removal from the water. We know of nothing that has interested us less than the discussion as to whether the lively codfish ball had a cork centre.

Most wives are angels. When they're not harping they never have anything to wear.

Two schoolboy "howlers":—A mosquito is the child of black-and-white parents.

Water is composed of two gins, oxygen and hydrogen. Oxygen is pure gin; hydrogen is gin and water.

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INTERESTING NEWS PICTURES



The recent State opening of Parliament. The Guards are shown dipping their colours as the Royal coach leaves the House of Lords.



British troops leave Cologne after seven years' occupation. Picture shows the huge crowd outside Cologne Cathedral when the British flag was hauled down.

"MONNA VANNA."**A QUEEN'S THREATHRE ATTRACTION.**

There is a big film being shown at the Queen's Theatre at present—namely, "Monna Vanna." It is the product of a German studio and is based on Maeterlinck's famous tragedy of the Renaissance, when Pisa and Florence were at war.

There are some most graphic scenes depicted, especially when the rival armies come to grips, and throughout the photography and settings are remarkably good. Thousands of people were employed to make this picture a big success, and the story is told in gripping fashion, working up finally to a striking denouement. The principal characters are very ably sustained, the incidents throughout being marked by fine acting, this being especially true of the talented and beautiful actress who fills the title role.

This picture will be screened up to and including Saturday, and we can recommend it as being much above the average in all-round excellence.

THE FRENCH BUDGET.**SOCIALISTS STILL OPPOSE.**

Paris, March 25.—The Chamber has adopted by 415 votes to 128 the revenue section of the Budget. The expenditure side was voted at the autumn session.

The entire 1926 Budget is now ready to go to the Senate. The Socialists have decided to oppose the Government's financial proposals to make up the deficit of nearly five milliard francs. Reuter.

MEXICO CONFISCATION.**DISCUSSION REACHES A DEADLOCK.**

Mexico City, March 25.—It is understood that conferences between oil interests and the Mexican Government have virtually reached a deadlock. The British Minister, Mr. E. Ovey has called on Mr. Shefford and is believed to have discussed the position. Reuter's American Service.

CORRESPONDENCE.**MOTOR SERVICE.**

[To the Editor, Hongkong Telegraph.]

Sir.—I have carefully noted the proceedings at the meeting of the Hongkong Automobile Association, as reported in yours of March 24th.

It seems to me a somewhat roundabout procedure for a stranded motorist to have a friend of his detail his specific and personal troubles to the Hongkong Automobile Association and thence to the newspapers and finally to the world at large. It is hardly logical as a method of preventing potential occurrences of similar nature. It has been dinned into the ears of the public for at least 25 years that no car is any better than the service behind it. That being an admitted fact, it would seem that the general public would buy motor cars from people who are in position to render maximum service.

It happens that Hongkong does have firms who do comply with the somewhat exacting requirements of the term "garage proprietors." If the individual in question telephoned to Chinese garages, it is not surprising that they should have answered him in Chinese. Further, it is a fact that the stranded individual had no especial claim on anybody except the agent of the car he purchased.

It might also be kept well in mind that there is a tremendous difference between a *service department* and a *repair department*. A service department is precisely what the term implies.

Personally, I consider the playing of the National Anthem at the end of any performance or dance a bore, for it is never played as a National Anthem, but merely as a notification of the end of the performance.

One can be quite a staunch patriot without having to prove it by standing to attention like a soldier at the end of a show when he might be catching his last ferry or tram, and I don't think that His Majesty, the King, desires his subjects to stand like mummies at the end of any performance simply because the proprietors wish to inform them that the show is over.

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In Australia it is quite a com-

mon sight to see a theatre audience streaming out from their seats while the National Anthem is being played, yet there were

the usual quitting time in the afternoon, but complete service (including towing-in if necessary) at any hour of the night such service may have been required.

If the stranded gentleman bought a car which is an orphan in this Colony, or from a firm which had no garage and no service facilities, he should blame himself for lack of judgment rather than blame four garages, none of whom seem to have had anything to do with his purchase of the car.

The man who purchases a second-hand car from a fly-by-night dealer has no claim to service from the silken-six dealer. If a man will buy a car from a dealer who has absolutely no service facilities, or if he will buy a car which is not represented locally the purchaser has no reasonable ground if his acquisition has to look after itself.

Conditions in this Colony are fast getting to the place where the number of cars sold by the legitimate garage proprietors is such that they are entirely occupied in their endeavour to render maximum service at minimum cost covering cars sold by them. This necessitates specializing. The orphan car under present circumstances will have to depend more and more on the small, outside, ill-equipped garages.—Yours, etc.,

BILL BROWN.

Hongkong, March 25, 1926.

PATRIOTISM.

Sir.—Your correspondent J. P. Vicira Remedios is quite amusing in his remarks apropos patriotism.

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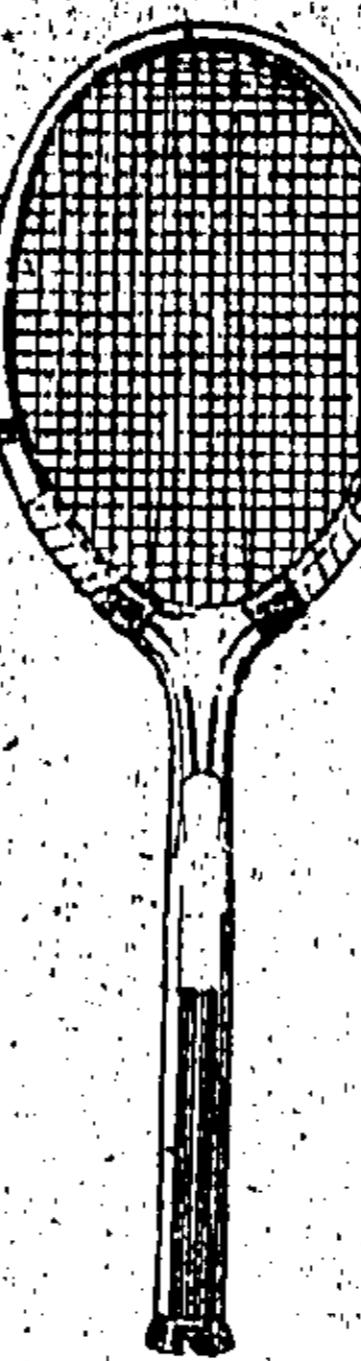
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In conclusion, I would like to add that if "The King" is to be played in shows, etc., let it be played at the beginning of the performance simply because the proprietors wish to inform them that the show is over.

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EXCHANGE RATES.

Rugby, March 25.

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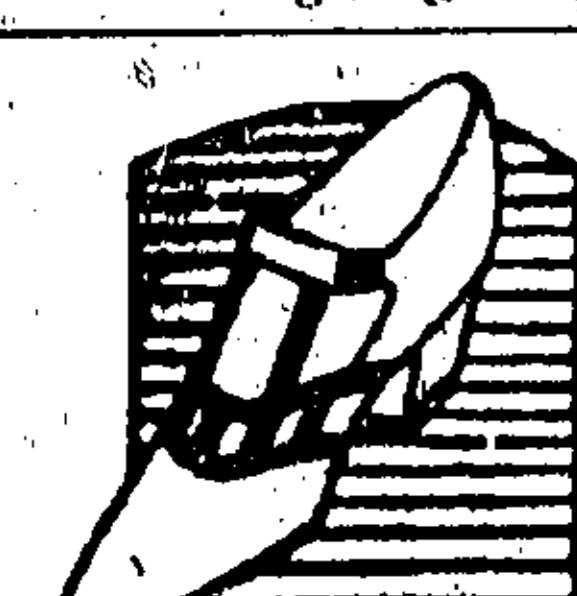
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GOVERNOR MAKES IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT.

BOYCOTT NEGOTIATIONS.

For the first time in the history of the Colony, the annual meeting of the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce, held yesterday, was attended by His Excellency the Governor, who was present at the invitation of the Committee.

His Excellency took occasion to make an important announcement, stating that he had received a letter from the Chairman of the Canton Government expressing willingness to appoint three members of the Government to negotiate with three Hongkong officials in regard to the settlement of the strike and boycott. This proposal, said the Governor, had been agreed to, and it was hoped that negotiations would soon begin.

The Hon. Mr. P. H. Holonyak was in the chair and members of Committee supporting him were the Hon. Mr. A. O. Lang, Mr. D. G. M. Bernard, Mr. A. H. Barlow, Mr. Paul Lauder, Mr. J. Owen Hughes, Mr. G. M. Young, Mr. W. H. Bell, Mr. T. G. Weall and Mr. M. F. Key (secretary). His Excellency the Governor occupied a seat on the right of the chairman.

Chairman's Speech.

The chairman said, "In moving the adoption of the Report and Accounts I desire in the first place to express, to you Sir, our keen pleasure at your presence, this afternoon providing as it does, another indication of the keen interest you take in every part of the Colony's life. I have already paid willing and just tribute, in the early part of this Report to the assistance rendered the Commercial Community during the times of crisis which came upon it during the latter half of 1925, by His Excellency, Sir Edward Stubbs, and since your arrival, by you, Sir.

For many years past the relationship between the Government of this Colony and the General Chamber of Commerce has been peculiarly close and intimate and constantly questions concerning not only mercantile and shipping problems but also those affecting the general life and welfare of the Colony have been referred to this Chamber for consultation. The period under review has been one of almost unprecedented anxiety for the Colony provoking problems arising from a grave situation which had to be dealt with under emergency conditions and which called for quick action; throughout the period right up to the present day, the Government and the Chamber of Commerce Committee have been in constant and often daily consultation. I desire here to acknowledge the sincere thanks of this Chamber and of the Commercial Community of Hongkong which it represents, to the Government and its Officials for the courtesy and assistance which it has rendered under most difficult conditions.

The report before you is so voluminous, and I venture to say deals so fully with the various subjects which have arisen during the past year that it would be superfluous for me to enlarge upon them nor do they need argument to commend themselves to your attention.

Fire Fighting Apparatus.

I propose however, to deal briefly with one or two items. Referring to the question of reopening the "Imports and Exports Statistical Department," that will be dealt with at a later stage in this meeting. The necessity for considerable improvement in the fire fighting appliances of the Colony, of increased pressure in the mains and the possible use of sea-water instead of fresh water in connection with them is engaging the earnest attention of the Government. The necessity for such improvement was emphasised by the disastrous Hotel fire of New Year's day. One naturally feels tempted to discuss such controversial subjects as the "Tariff Conference" and "Extra Territoriality Commission" both now sitting in Peking, the measure of progress in the development of the Colony, of increased pressure in the mains and the possible use of sea-water instead of fresh water in connection with them will stand as a lasting monument to the usefulness and I would say essentiality of this Chamber. Their task has been a difficult one because it would seem in the light of past experience over a long period of years, that there are few countries in which political and commercial issues are so inseparably bound together as in China.

From the Report, Sir, we learn with great satisfaction the progress which has been made in wireless telegraphy in the Colony generally. The establishment of a recording station on the Pratas Islands, the improved conditions at D'Aguilar and at the Observatory, cannot but be a source of satisfaction to all associated with ships and shipping.

Merchants must also realize that the more up-to-date we can bring our aids to navigation, so will expensive demurrage of ships and lighters be decreased, and possibly lower insurance premia on hull and cargo cannot but generally benefit the trade of the Colony and South China."

The necessity of an efficiently equipped Quarantine Station is, I understand, now exercising the attention of the Government, and

I assure the incoming Committee of the Chamber will be prepared to give advice and assistance in the inauguration of such an important development in the improvement of shipping facilities of the Port.

Cost of Living.

I note that the important question of high cost of living has been dealt with in the Report, and that the closing para of the paragraph reads, "and there the matter stands at present." Suggestions seem to have been made that en-

quiries from European assistants of commercial firms should be initiated in order to ascertain the extent of present hardships.

Whilst sympathising with the un-

doubted anxiety of that particular branch of the Colony's workers to

make ends meet, as far as possible, I respect that the question does not seem to have been approached from quite the right angle, and I doubt even if the statistics were obtained from

the sources indicated whether they would be of any real commercial value.

It seems to me that what we must aim at is to reduce the cost of living to the majority, as well as to the minority. By this I mean a reduction in the cost of living to Chinese labour, which is burdened by the ever enhanced cost of necessities, must in turn demand a proportionate increase in wages, which in time cannot but react more upon employers and their business. We have comparatively few industrial concerns in Hongkong, but what we have are very important employers of labour; they are moreover operating in direct competition with the producing markets of the World, and the local price of labour must obviously play a very important part in the success or otherwise of securing business.

This, I submit is a most important matter, and I trust the Chamber will when the time is opportune, renew its interest and associate themselves with the Government in terminating the present state of affairs when higher wages do not benefit the real worker but native middlemen and others who never themselves

bear the heat and burden of the day batten on him to the detriment of the Colony's well being and expansion, and all that represents.

Deaths.

In conclusion he said it was fitting that he should refer to the death of members which had occurred during the year. By the death of Mr. Montague Ede they had lost a distinguished citizen who rendered valuable service to the Colony and to the Chamber.

Then there was the loss of Mr. Chau Siu-ki in tragic circumstances at Po Hing Fong who as a merchant and banker was well known to all. The final loss of

the late secretary of the Chamber, Mr. Blair, whose death was reported last month. Last year his predecessor had mentioned that Mr. Blair had to go home on leave because of his health. The old trouble, heart disease, intervened and he passed away as stated. He was a man who rendered valuable service to the Chamber and entered the social and other lives of the Colony and he was much loved by all.

Mr. Key's Services.

He wished to say a word about the assistance rendered to him as

chairman through the year by their present secretary Mr. Key. He did not hesitate to say that the work of chairman of the Chamber was extremely heavy, last year particularly so; and it would not be possible for any business man to carry it on if he had not got an adequate secretary. He could tell them that the services of Mr. Key were those which the Chamber could not do without. (Applause)

He would pass him on to his successor with the greatest confidence. Let us hope he will issue a note of warning. Mr. Key had served for several years and he would have to go Home on leave and the Chamber would have to provide an assistant secretary to carry on during his absence. They knew of the serious accident which Mr. Key had in the middle of 1925, when he carried on his work even in hospital. (Applause).

Mr. R. Sutherland.

Mr. R. Sutherland in seconding said—I have much pleasure in seconding the adoption of the Report and Accounts as presented.

From our Chairman's Speech and from the Chamber's Annual Report just issued, the latter I may say being most excellently compiled, it is manifest that our considerable energy has already been displayed by various bodies

in the field of politics, this is a Chamber of Commerce, and I think you will agree with me Gentlemen that the less we are drawn into political issues the better.

It is, of course, understood that the most common form of publicity is that through the medium of the public press. I venture to say that politics, I would say in private for that purpose. I shall place myself freely at your disposal at all times. (Applause).

While it is true many people

recommending the China position fairly closely, they were with few exceptions those who were more or less directly interested in the country, and in the large majority of cases, men who had actually been out here. I have previously said that politics and commerce are inseparable in this country, and I do not doubt but that very considerable energy has already been displayed by various bodies at Home and in the Far East to bring the mind of the British public in line with the true state of affairs which has existed during recent troubles.

The suggestion, however, which I have to make is in no way connected with politics; this is a Chamber of Commerce, and I think you will agree with me Gentlemen that the less we are drawn into political issues the better.

It is, of course, understood that the most common form of publicity is that through the medium of the public press. I venture to say that the opinion, however, that this to-day is not sufficiently far-reaching at

Home and in the Far East to bring the mind of the British public in line with the true state of affairs which has existed during recent troubles.

I would like therefore to submit a suggestion for the consideration of the Committee.

An Inspection.

I am fully conscious of the fact that it may be regarded as somewhat of an innovation, and at first sight may not be acceptable. I would ask, however, that in due course it be considered and dealt with on its merits.

As you are well aware throughout

the British Isles, and more parti-

cularly in the large industrial towns, there are associations often called Literary and Debating Societies. Sometimes they go under the name of Reading Circles. Generally speaking they are formed by the upper middle and working classes, to advance their own worldly knowledge, and the backbone of the scheme is the preparation of a syllabus including addresses by professional lecturers on all subjects of common interest. This has been found to be the most effective and pleasant means of bringing home, where it is wanted, information with regard to the nations and peoples of the World. There are few towns or even villages which have not got an organisation such as I mention, and in the case of large industrial centres the preparations for the winter months are made on a very elaborate scale.

I had occasion when at Home, at very short notice to preside at a small and unimportant meeting such as I have described, and curiously enough the subject of the lecture was China. His discourse was assisted by magic lantern slides of a somewhat anti-Bolshevik order. He, however, made most efficient use of the material at his disposal.

In conversation with him, I subsequently ascertained he had only been in China for three months, but he certainly, in that time seemed to have covered a great deal of ground. This leads up to my suggestion.

Granted that you agree it is desirable for all classes in the Home Countries to really grasp the possibilities in China, particularly from a commercial standpoint, it seems to me that it would be possible, with the help of other Chambers of Commerce, and the very influential Eastern Committee just appointed at Home, to prepare data for a series of lectures dealing with China, its industries, its people, and its potential development; such lectures to be supported by photographs and possibly motion pictures. It could then be arranged with certain associations, which understand are in touch with professional lecturers, to include our Chinese papers in their repertoire.

It might, of course, be possible to secure the voluntary services of those who have actually been out there, and who could speak with personal knowledge of their subject. Propaganda Wanted.

In conclusion, Gentlemen, there is one matter which I would like to mention. My reason for doing so is that, if approved, it will call for the co-operation of the Members of the Chamber as a whole. It relates to the very important matter of propaganda, a word I may say which is a misnomer when used in connection with many subjects it covers. Possibly I might substitute the word "publicity", to better

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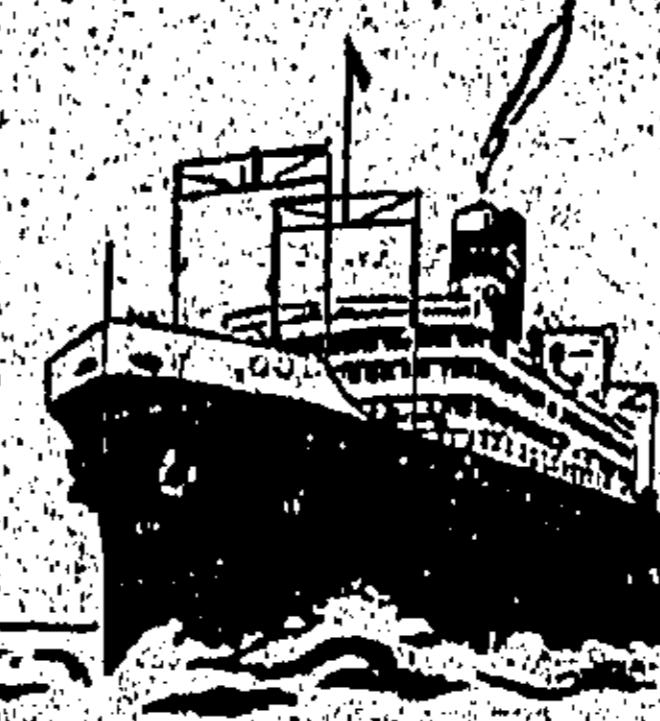
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| JEYPORE | 5,318 | 7th April | S'pore, P'ang & B'bay |
| LAHORE | 5,252 | 11th April | S'pore & B'bay |
| DELTA | 8,097 | 15th April | S'pore, P'ang, Cho & B'bay |
| DEVANHA | 8,155 | 17th April | M'les, L'don & Antwerp |
| KALYAN | 9,144 | 20th April | Antwerp & Hull |
| MACEDONIA | 11,059 | 1st May | Marsailles & London |
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|------------|--------|---------------|---------------------------------|
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| ST. ALBANS | 4,500 | 10th April | Moji, Kobo & Yoko |
| MERIN | 7,648 | 10th April | Shanghai, & Kobo |
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THE VOLUNTEERS.

LATEST CORPS ORDERS.

Volunteer Defence Corps Orders issued by Major R. Melville Smith state:

1.—ENGINEER COMPANY.

(a) Miniature Range at Corps Headquarters is at the disposal of the Engineers Company on Monday, 29th March at 5.30 p.m.

(b) Musketry Course Part I. will be fired at Stonecutters Range on Sunday, 28th March.

Range Officer: 2nd-Lieut. F. W. Foster-Turner.

Launch will leave Murray Pier at 9 a.m. and call at Kowloon Pier at 9.10 a.m.

Dress: Uniform optional, but rifles, bayonets and pouches must be taken.

Arms: Will be drawn from Headquarters on Friday, 26th March, between 9 a.m. and 12 noon, or 2 and 4 p.m., or 5 and 6 p.m., and on Saturday, 27th March between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m.

2.—ARTILLERY COMPANY AND NO. 5 PLATOON.

Musketry Course Part I. will be fired at Talcoo Rifle Range on Sunday, 28th March at 9.30 a.m.

Range Officer: Capt. D. C. Logan, M.C.

Dress: Uniform optional, but rifles, bayonets and pouches must be taken.

All members living at Tai-koo may attend on this date.

3.—MOUNTED INFANTRY AND ARMoured CAR COS.

Parade at Corps Headquarters on Monday, 29th March, at 5.30 p.m. Vickers Gun Practice for the Machine Gun competition.

Drivers as detailed by Lie-Corp. Ramsay.

Musketry Instruction Classes under-Sergt. Watson and Shaw for those who have been specially instructed to attend.

The Miniature Range at Corps Headquarters is at the disposal of the Mounted Infantry and Armoured Car on Monday, 12th April, at 5.30 p.m.

4.—STRENGTH.

The following are taken on the strength and posted as under:

No. 1035 Spr. S. C. Salter, Engineer Co., as from 22nd March, 1926.

No. 1036 Pte. R. W. Barnett, Armoured Car Co., as from 23rd March, 1926.

5.—PROMOTIONS.

H.E. the Governor has been pleased to make the following promotions in the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps, with effect from the 16th March, 1926:

Lieut. Christopher Willson, O.B.E., V.D., to be Captain.

Lieut. Wilfrid Brackenridge, M.C., to be Captain.

Lieut. Donald Clement Logan, M.C., to be Captain.

6.—REVERSION.

No. 981 Corp. J. Reidy, Mounted Infantry Co., is permitted to revert to the rank of Pte. at his own request, as from 5th March, 1926.

7.—TRANSFERS.

The following are permitted to transfer to the Reserve Co., as from 5th March, 1926:

No. 981 Pte. J. Reidy, M.I. Co.

No. 436 Pte. W. J. Hinton, M.I. Co.

8.—EFFICIENCY CUP.

The Efficiency Cup for the Training Season of 1926 has been won by the Artillery Co.

9.—LEAVE.

No. 828 Pte. J. F. Kennedy, No. 7 Platoon, is granted 7 months' leave from 20th March, 1926, to 19th October, 1926.

No. 729 Pte. N. R. Mahomed, No. 4 Platoon, is granted 2 months' leave from 17th March, 1926, to 16th May, 1926.

10.—RESIGNATION.

No. 136 Pte. D. Keith, No. 6 Platoon, is permitted to resign from the Corps, as from 19th March, 1926.

11.—STRUCK OFF.

The following is struck off the strength, as from 12th March, 1926:—No. 926 Pte. A. Melby, Armoured Car Co.

L. D. JOLL, Captain,

Adjutant, H.K.V.D.C.

NOTICE.

Rifle Meeting.

Members wishing to have tiffins provided for them on the 4th and 5th April must inform the Hon. Secretary, Rifle Meeting not later than 31st March, and enclose \$1.50, charge for each tiffin.

Hongkong, 26th March, 1926.

21 YEARS AGO.

EXTRACTS FROM "TELEGRAPH" FILES.

The following items are extracted from the Telegraph files for the week ended March 18, 1905:—

The rate of the dollar was 10.88, on demand.

The annual report of the Hongkong Hotel Co., Ltd., showed a profit on working account of \$39,826,

from which it was proposed to pay a dividend of ten per cent, and carry forward \$3,553. Mr. W. Hutton Potts was the Chairman of the Company.

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Volunteer Orders state that Bombarier C. H. Blason has resigned

and Messrs. N. J. Stabb and M. Stewart joined.

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It is intimated that provided fifty Volunteers signify their willingness to join, a Volunteer Rifle Club will be formed.

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Rural Building Lot 121, situated on Barker Road, and comprising 29,416 square feet, was sold by auction, being purchased by Messrs. Penison, Ram and Gibb, on behalf of Capt. J. T. Douglas, for \$3,550.

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The return to the Colony, after

his eleventh trip round the world,

of Mr. Findlay Smith, is recorded.

In this connection extended refer-

ence is made to the new Peak

Tramway system, which this

gentleman intended establishing,

it being stated that the route

would be up Ice House Street, past

Sir Paul Charter's residence, and

thence to a point near the old

tram terminus. It is stated

that during his world trip Mr.

Findlay Smith had visited every

known mountain railway and that

the new system would be the latest

of its kind. (It should be noted

that this concession was later

bought by the Peak Tramway

Company, and the project never

put into effect.)

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The arrival in the Colony of Mr.

J. L. MacPherson, to be Secretary

of the European branch of the

Y.M.C.A., was marked by a well-

come meeting in the Association's

rooms, at which an address was

read by the Hon. Mr. F. H. May,

C.M.G.

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At the annual meeting of the

China Sugar Refining Co., Ltd.

overseen by the Hon. Mr. W.

J. Gresson, approval was given to

a final dividend of \$15, making

\$20 for the year, with a carry-

forward of \$42,812.

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It is notified that Mr. C. S. (now

Sir Charles) Addis has been ap-

pointed to assist Mr. A. M. Town-

send in the management of the

London branch of the Hongkong

and Shanghai Bank.

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Messrs. Shewan, Tomes and Co.

notify that the Yangtsze Insur-

ance Association, Ltd., propose

declaring a dividend of 25 per

cent, and appropriating \$50,000

to reserve.